

Halloween is quickly approaching and despite COVID, there are opportunities to celebrate the holiday safely and in compliance with the County's [guidelines for Halloween](#). Community Services will be hosting a [Drive In Theater](#) on Friday, October 23 at Plaza Bonita Mall. The movie will be the original Ghostbusters! It will be a fantastic way for the community to safely come together and enjoy a good time. Children and teens 3 -17 years of age can participate in a [virtual costume and pumpkin carving contests](#) with winners in each category and age group! Participants can register through ActiveNet for contests and the drive-in using www.joinnaticity.com.

Also, don't forget to RSVP if you are entering the group/individual costumes or pumpkin decorating contests at the Halloween Spectacular for city employees! Details are below.

National City Wins Two Momentum Awards!

Circulate San Diego's [Momentum Awards](#) recognize the people and projects in the San Diego region that are creating excellent mobility choices and vibrant, healthy neighborhoods. Due to the support of the Mayor and City Council and commitment from our staff to lead these projects, National City was nominated for three awards last week for the following projects:

- **Complete Streets Award** category - the Euclid Avenue Pedestrian & Bicycle Improvements.
- **Healthy Community Award** category - the Integrating Neighborhoods with Transportation Routes for All Connections (INTRACONnect) Plan and the Kimball Highland Master Plan.

The Euclid Avenue and INTRACONnect projects **won** in their categories, and the Mayor was on-hand at the ceremony to accept our awards. We should be very proud of the leadership of our staff in Community Development, Public Works & Engineering and Housing that worked to execute these projects. It's quite exceptional.

Playgrounds Reopen

City playgrounds reopened this past weekend following the guidance provided by the State last week. I'd like to thank the Parks Division for quickly getting everything ready to open (removing caution tape, posting new signs, cleaning play structures, etc.). Parks staff will be regularly sanitizing playground equipment and has installed signage outlining operating rules which you can also find [here](#). We are happy to welcome the community back to our playgrounds safely!

General Election - November 3

Election Day is also approaching. If you are a registered voter, you should receive your voter ballot in the mail this week. National City has 3 locations for in-person voting and 2 locations to drop off your mail-in ballot. A list of locations is attached. If you don't live locally, you can visit sdvote.com for information on your area.

